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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA

S.T. & S.C. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 8th February 2010

Subject—Payment of *ex gratia* to the next of kin of the deceased in the case death of boarders and permanent incapacitation of S.T. & S.C. boarders of S.T. & S.C. Development Department Hostels and School & Mass Education Department Hostels.

Incidents of death and health hazards of boarders of S.T. & S.C. Development Department Hostels due to diseases, snake bite and accidents are coming to the notice of the State Government. The death of a child is a great loss to his/her family and steps are being taken for ensuring that such incidents do not take place at all. Collectors of districts shall, therefore, ensure that funds available for provision of amenities, repair and maintenance of S.T. & S.C. Development Department Schools and Hostels are utilized properly for creating a healthy atmosphere in the School/Hostel. Other funds available at the District level should also be dovetailed for the purpose. In spite of the best arrangements, there is unfortunate loss of life of students in S.T. & S.C. Development Department Hostels in different districts due to diseases, snake bites and accidents.

2. In view of this, Government in S.T. & S.C. Development Department, after careful consideration, have been pleased to decide that the cases of death and permanent incapacitation of boarders of S.T. & S.C. Development Department Hostels in their Department Schools and S.T. & S.C. boarders in Hostels functioning in the premises of School & Mass Education Department Schools will qualify for payment of *ex gratia*.

The said *ex gratia* will be paid to the parents and in their absence to the next of kin of the deceased boarders/ permanent incapacitated boarders of all the S.T. & S.C. Development Department Hostels including 8 Higher Secondary Schools, 11 Ekalavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) and 19 Educational Complexes functioning in Micro Projects area run by Orissa Model

Tribal Education Society (OMTES) and Primary School Hostels/S.T. Boys/Girls Hostels and deceased/ permanent incapacitated S.T. & S.C. boarders of Hostels functioning in the premises of School & Mass Education Department Schools at the following rate:—

- (a) Rs. 50.000 in case of death due to any disease/accidents and snake bites.
- (b) Rs. 25,000 in case of permanent incapacitation due to diseases/accidents.
- 3. The *ex gratia* will be paid to the parents or next of kin (in the absence of parents) of the deceased/ permanent incapacitated student subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) The incident of death/ permanent incapacitation should be reported by the Head-master/Headmistress /Hostel Supdt. immediately after occurrence to the Collector concerned and Village Level Health Worker/ Medical Officer of the local Government Hospital/P.H.C. and Police Station concerned.

The Collector in turn will send an Officer of the rank of P.A., I.T.D.A./P.D., D.R.D.A./ A.D.M./ B.D.O./D.W.O./A.D.W.O./W.E.O. within 24 hours to the school for an immediate enquiry and send a report to the State Government in S.T. & S.C. Development Department.

- (2) The Collector concerned after confirming the facts from the report and supporting documents furnished by the authorized officer will sanction the *ex gratia* indicating therein the name and address of eligible persons (parents or next of kin of the deceased/ permanent incapacitated student) who will receive *ex gratia*.
- (3) Payment of admissible ex gratia should be made in the form of Bank Draft which should be paid to the parents of the deceased/ permanent incapacitated boarders (next of kin in the absence of the parents) in the presence of Headmaster/ Headmistress of the School and a P.R.I./ Public representative (Ward Member/ Sarpanch/Panchayat Samiti Chairman/Zilla Parishad Chairman / M.L.A../M.P.) and a Government Officer (W.E.O./ A.D.W.O./D.W.O./B.D.O./P.A., I.T.D.A./P.D., D.R.D.A/A.D.M.).
- (4) Payment may be made by the Collector from the available cash in case of non-availability of funds under this head which will be reimbursed by S.T. & S.C. Development Department on receipt of the proposal from the Collector.

This will be given effect from the date of issue of this Resolution and will be applicable to cases arising from the date of issue of this Resolution.

This has been concurred in by Finance Department vide their U.O.R. No. 35-SS-II, dated the 3rd February 2010.

Ordered that the Resolution be published in the next extraordinary issue of *Orissa Gazette*.

By order of the Governor

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